

**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
**LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY**  
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***Celebrating and Honoring National Women Physicians Day***

**WHEREAS**, on February 3<sup>rd</sup> of each year, we honor and celebrate ***National Women Physicians Day***, as this day is the birthday of Elizabeth Blackwell, the first woman in the United State to become a doctor; and

**WHEREAS**, this significant day serves as a celebration for those who helped women break down barriers to the medical profession as well as lift up equality in the field; and

**WHEREAS**, the most important way of observing National Women Physicians Day is to appreciate and recognize all women doctors and supporting those who are currently pursuing the profession; and

**WHEREAS**, this day also puts forth the idea and image of a career as a doctor for countless young ladies who are thinking about what they want to be when they grow up; and

**WHEREAS**, history will forever remember how our women physicians and healthcare professionals battled additional barriers, beyond studying for biology exams and the on-call schedules of a resident physicians, to overcome the stereotypes and biases in the healthcare field.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature expresses our thanks and sincere and heart-felt appreciation and blessings to all physicians and healthcare professionals for the compassion and care they provide to their patients; and be it further;

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature hereby recognizes National Women Physicians Day in Erie County and celebrates all women who are medical professionals for their commitment to providing quality health care for our community.

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**Hon. Jeanne M. Vinal**  
*Erie County Legislator, 5<sup>th</sup> District*

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**Robert M. Graber**  
*Clerk of the Erie County Legislature*